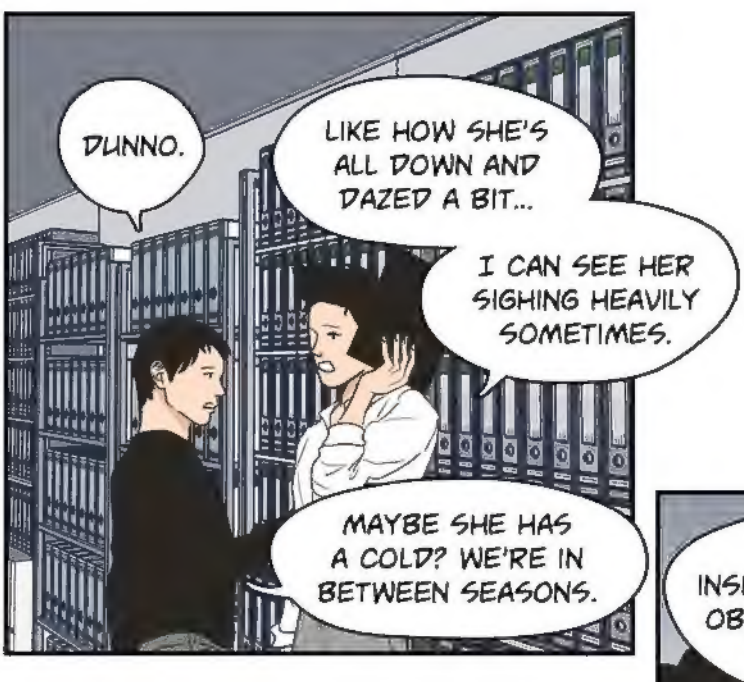
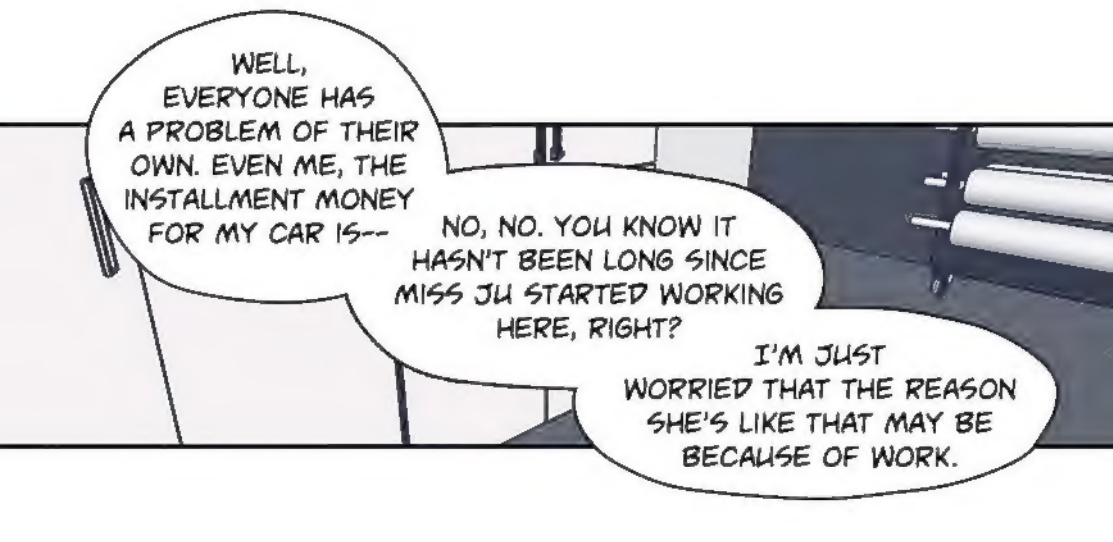
What does the fox say?

BY TEAM GAJI


DUNNO.
LIKE HOW SHE'S ALL DOWN AND DAZED A BIT...
I CAN SEE HER SIGHING HEAVILY SOMETIMES.
MAYBE SHE HAS A COLD? WE'RE IN BETWEEN SEASONS.


WELL, EVERYONE HAS A PROBLEM OF THEIR OWN. EVEN ME, THE INSTALLMENT MONEY FOR MY CAR IS--
NO, NO. YOU KNOW IT HASN'T BEEN LONG SINCE MISS JU STARTED WORKING HERE, RIGHT?
I'M JUST WORRIED THAT THE REASON SHE'S LIKE THAT MAY BE BECAUSE OF WORK.

WHY? MISS JU IS DOING JUST FINE.

THE WAY YOU'RE NONCHALANTLY THINKING EVERYTHING'S FINE IS THE REASON WHY ALL OF OUR NEW RECRUITS ARE ALL DYING OUT.

SHE MAY LOOK FINE BUT SHE MIGHT HAVE SOMETHING GOING ON THAT SHE CAN'T OPENLY TALK ABOUT.

SOMETHING SHE CAN'T TALK...

SO MAKE SURE YOU'RE NICE TO MISS JU.

WHACK

ACK!

WHACK

AND DON'T GIVE HER TOO MUCH WORK.

WHACK

AND LISTEN TO HER SINCERELY WHEN SHE SAYS SOMETHING.

WHACK

AND DON'T MAKE WEIRD JOKES.

OH, AND DON'T SEXUALLY HARASS HER.

I DON'T!

EXCUSE ME...

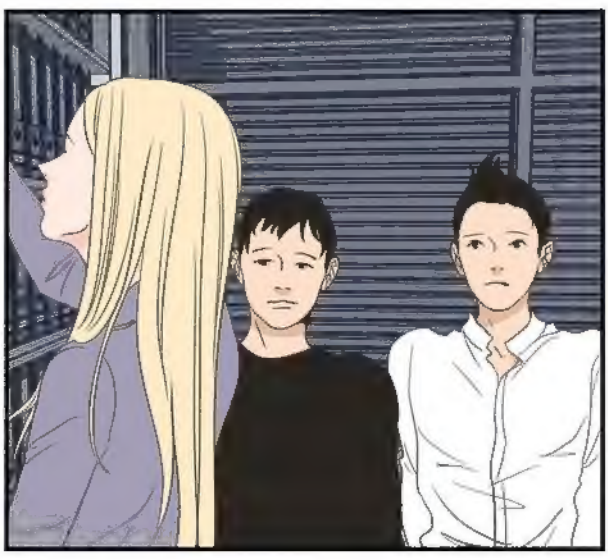
GASP!

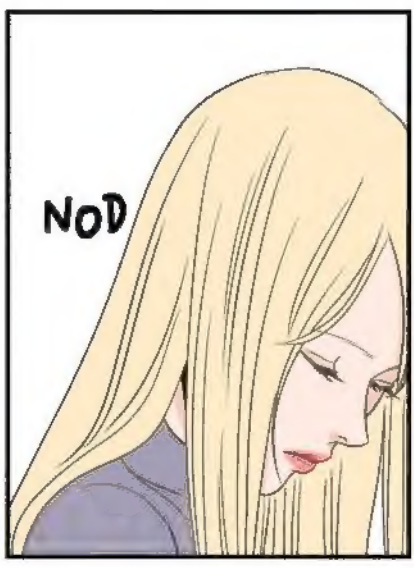
I NEED TO GET SOME FILES.

OH. OH, YOU DO?

WHAT IS IT? SHOULD I GET IT FOR YOU?

IT'S FINE.

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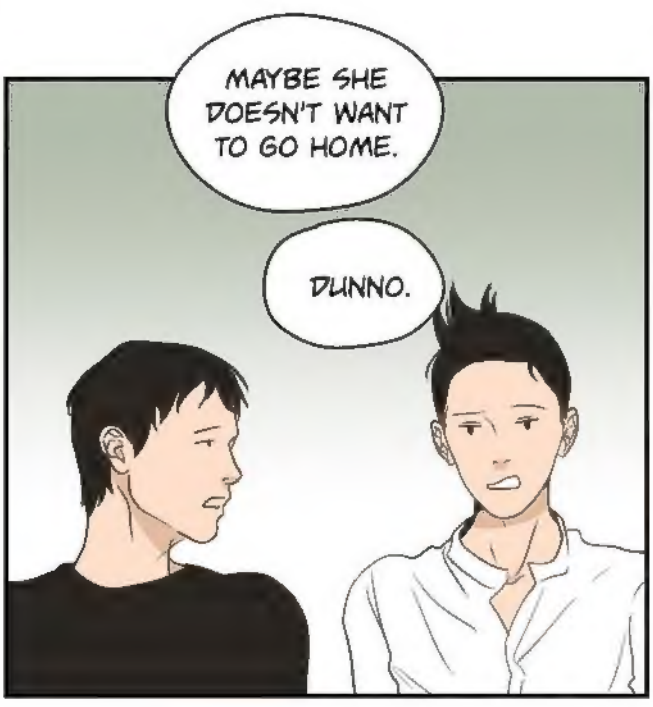
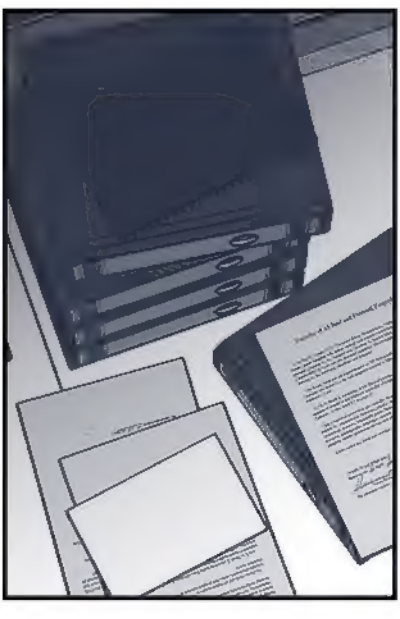
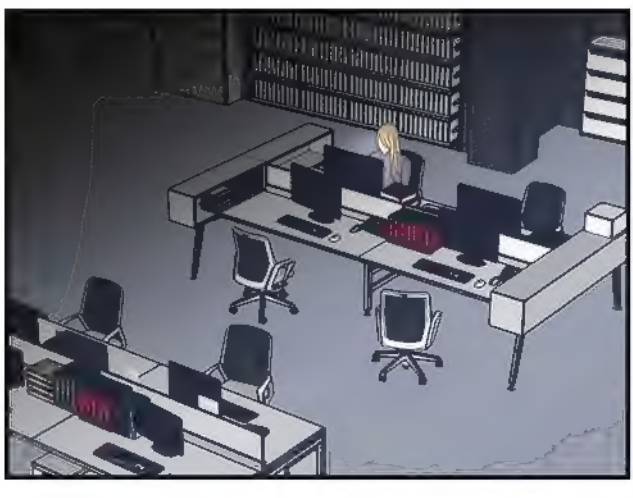

MAYBE SHE DOESN'T WANT TO GO HOME.
DUNNO.





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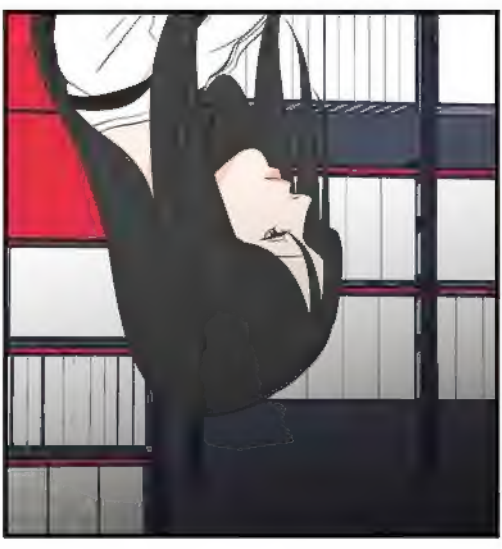
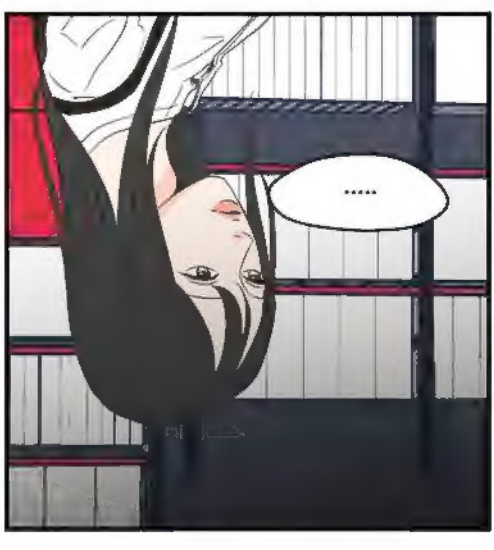
SEE YOU TOMORROW THEN.

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YOU SHOULD GO AHEAD FIRST.

IT'S LATE.
YOU SHOULD GO HOME.
TAKA

MISS JU.
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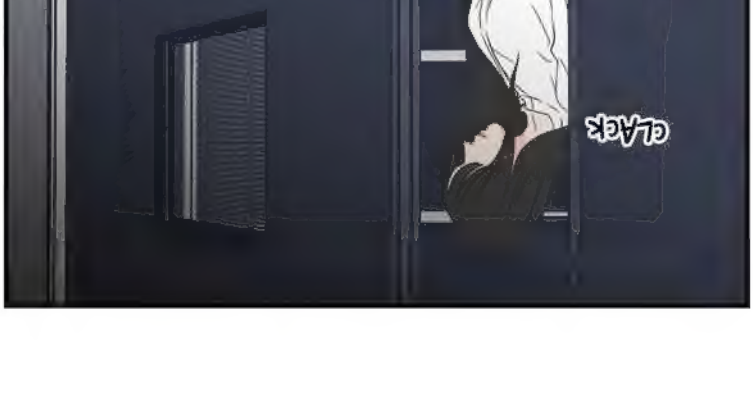
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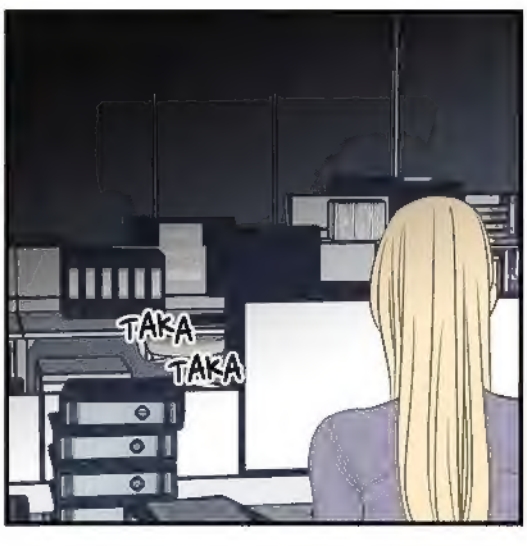
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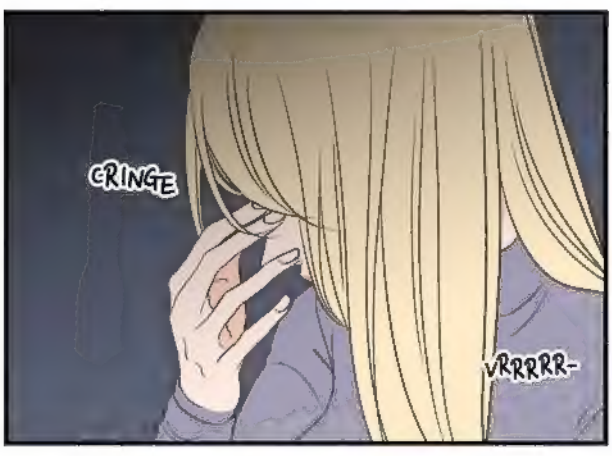
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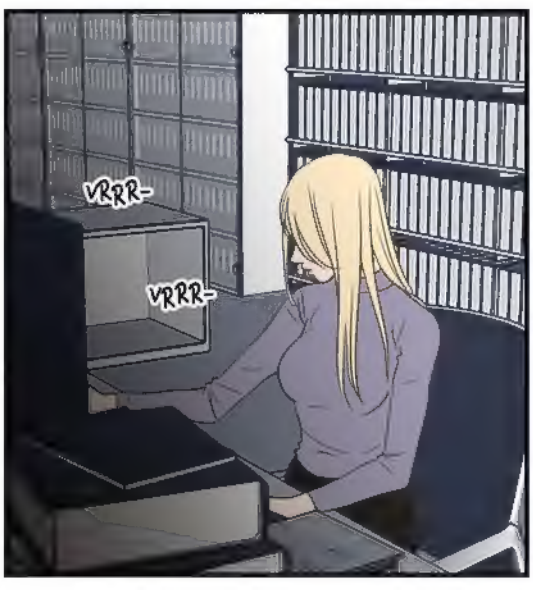
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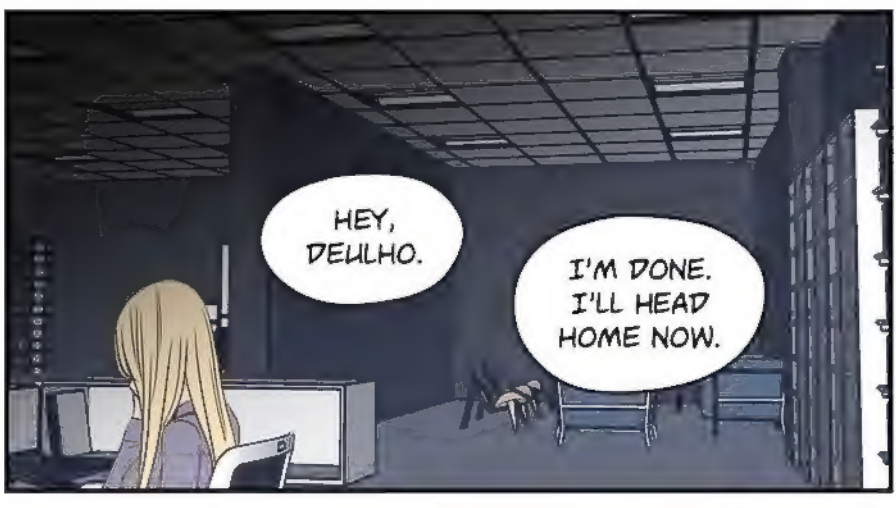
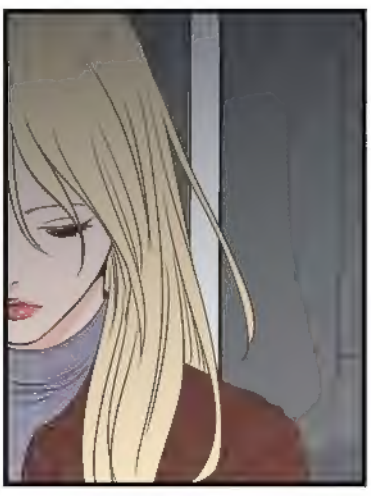
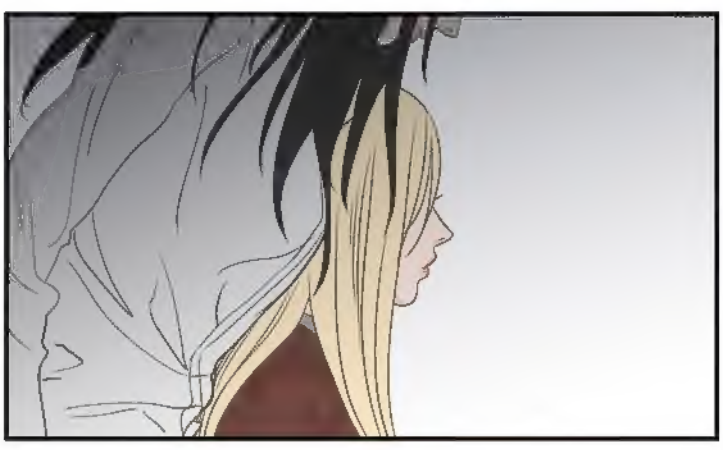
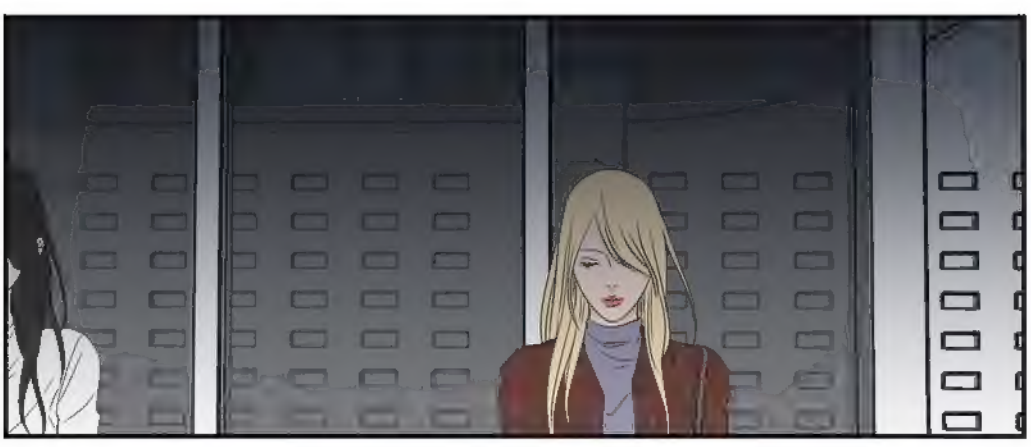
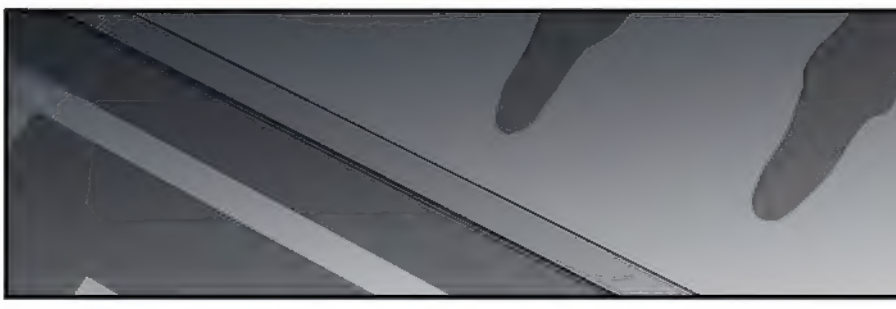

HEY, DEULHO.
I'M DONE. I'LL HEAD HOME NOW.









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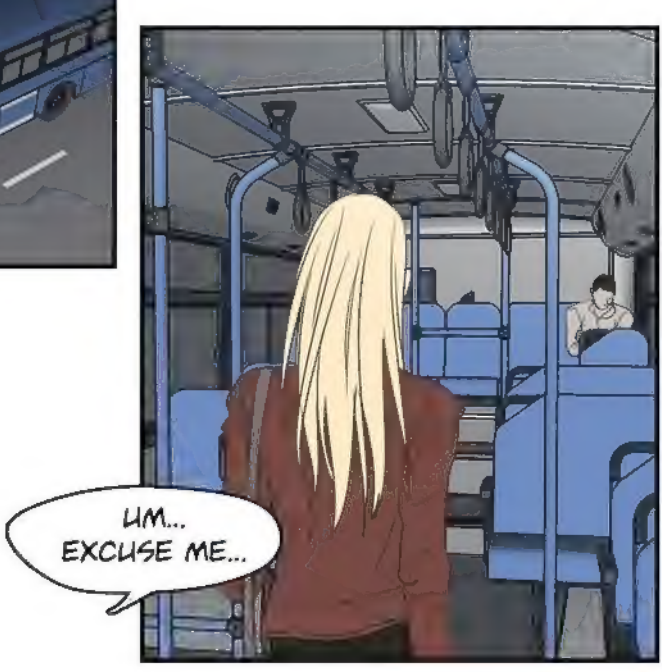
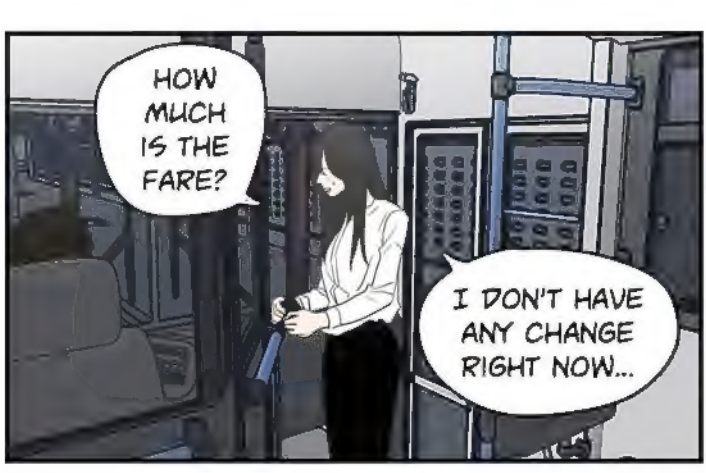

UM...
EXCUSE ME...


HOW MUCH IS THE FARE?
I DON'T HAVE ANY CHANGE RIGHT NOW...

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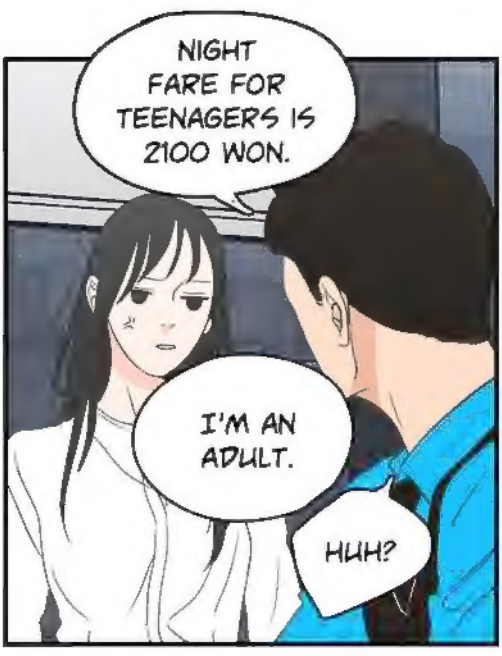
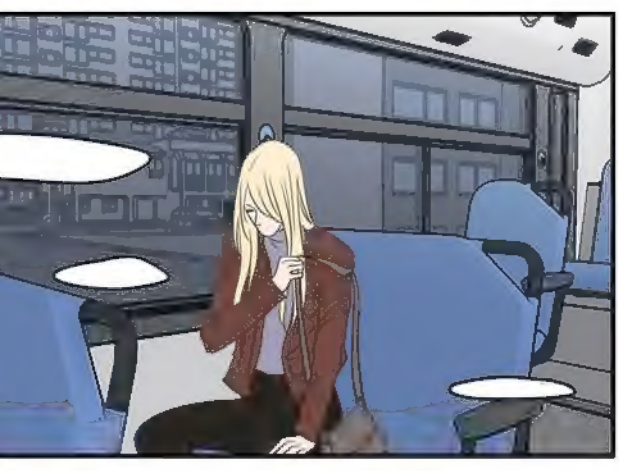

NIGHT FARE FOR TEENAGERS IS 2100 WON.
I'M AN ADULT.
HUH?



VROOM

I DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS THIS DIFFICULT TO TAKE A BUS.

YOU DIDN'T GET OFF WORK?

I'M GETTING OFF WORK NOW.

TAKE A SEAT.

...CAN I SIT NEXT TO YOU?

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IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I TOOK THE BUS.

ALMOST OVER A DECADE, I THINK.

DID YOU TAKE THE BUS WHEN YOU WENT TO SCHOOL?

NO.

SUBWAY? OR DID YOU WALK?

BICYCLE.

OH, YOU LIKE TO BIKE?

A FRIEND WOULD GIVE ME A RIDE WITH HER BIKE.

I SEE. IT MUST BE A FOND MEMORY.

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WHAT ABOUT YOU?
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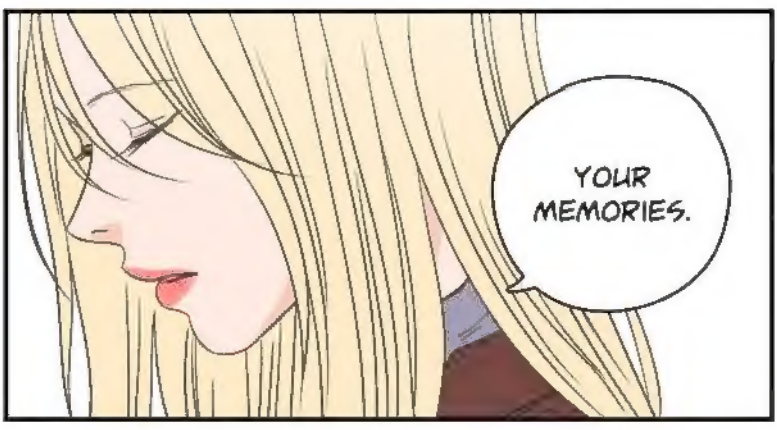
YOUR MEMORIES.

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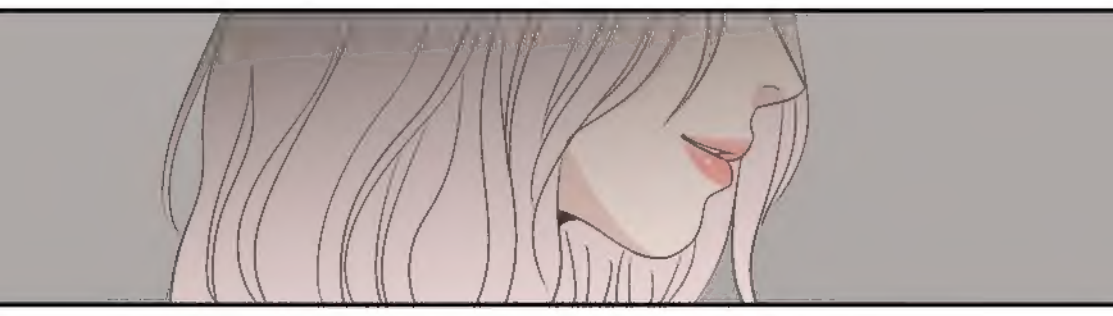
I...



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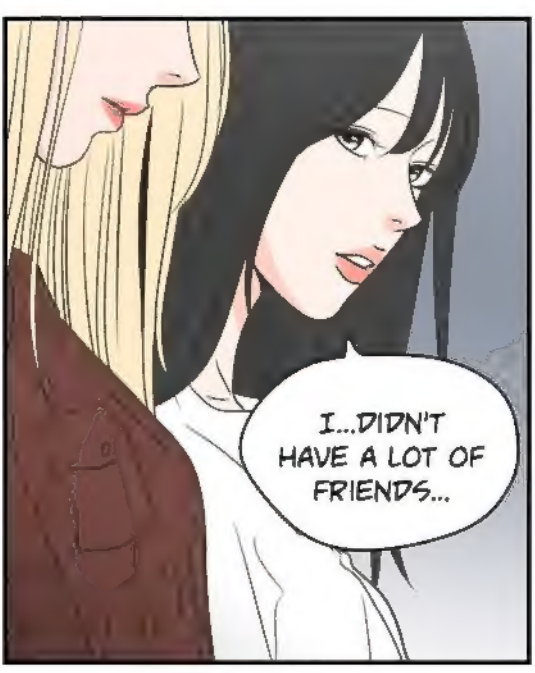
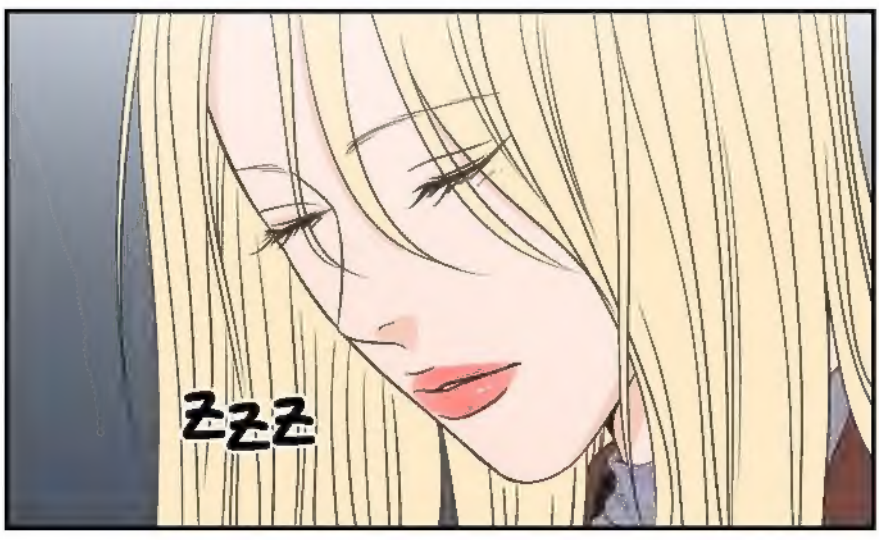

I...DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF FRIENDS...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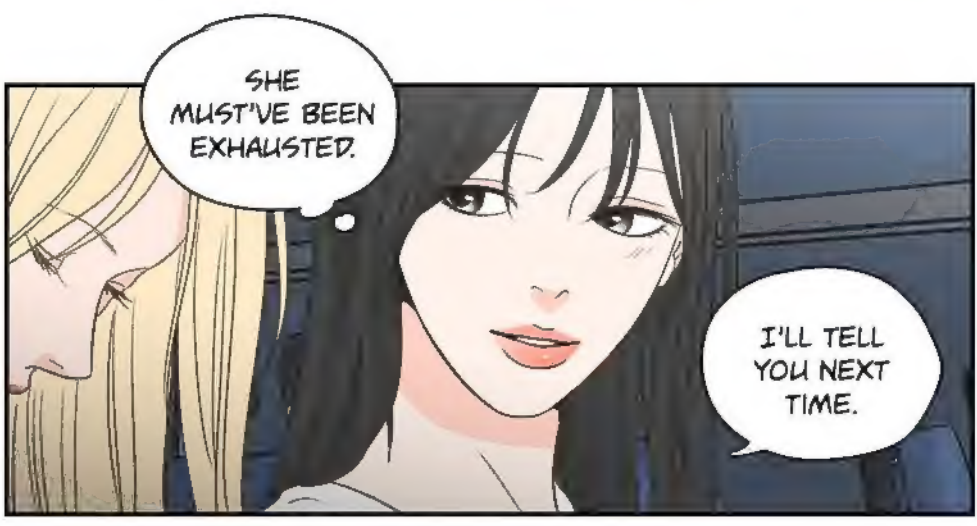
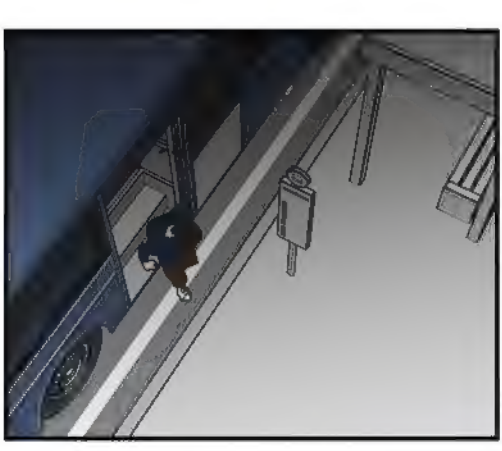

SHE MUST'VE BEEN EXHAUSTED.
I'LL TELL YOU NEXT TIME.



vROOM

I WANTED TO HELP YOU WHILE WE WERE WORKING OVERTIME TOGETHER.

I WONDERED IF I SHOULD GIVE YOU A RIDE HOME SO I WOULD ALWAYS WAIT IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE.

YOU ALSO SEEMED TO BE SKIPPING MEALS OFTEN,

SO I WANTED TO BUY YOU A SANDWICH AT LEAST AND PUT IT ON YOUR DESK.

NOWADAYS, I'VE FOUND A HOBBY WHERE I PICK UP TOYS ON THE CLAW MACHINE WHENEVER I THINK OF YOU. I WAS ABLE TO COLLECT QUITE A LOT OF DOLLS QUICKLY.

I WANTED TO GIVE ALL OF THEM TO YOU.

I DID, BUT I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING.

BECAUSE YOU WOULD SAY NO.

JUST IMAGINING YOU LIKE THAT IS PAINFUL ENOUGH.

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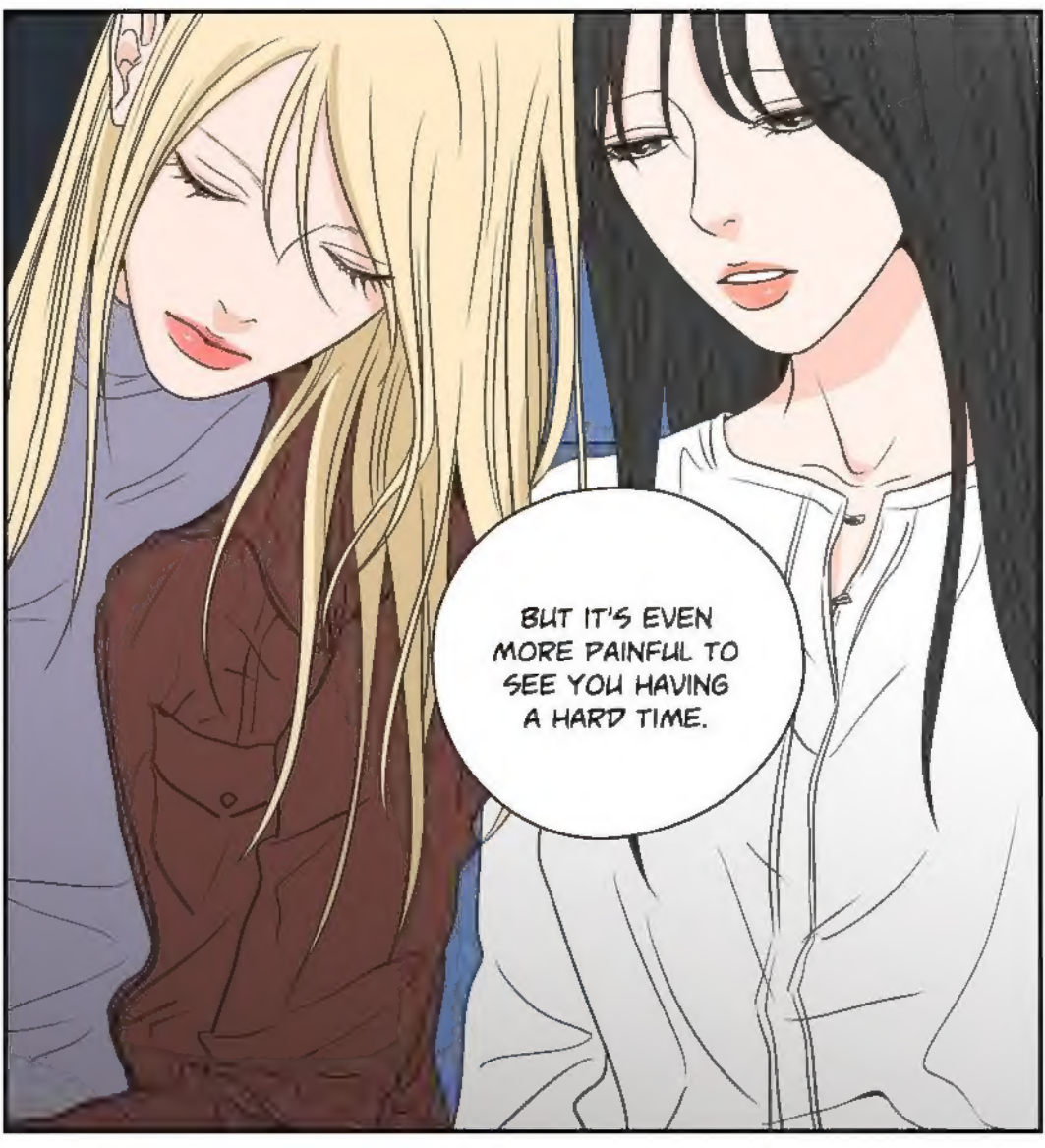
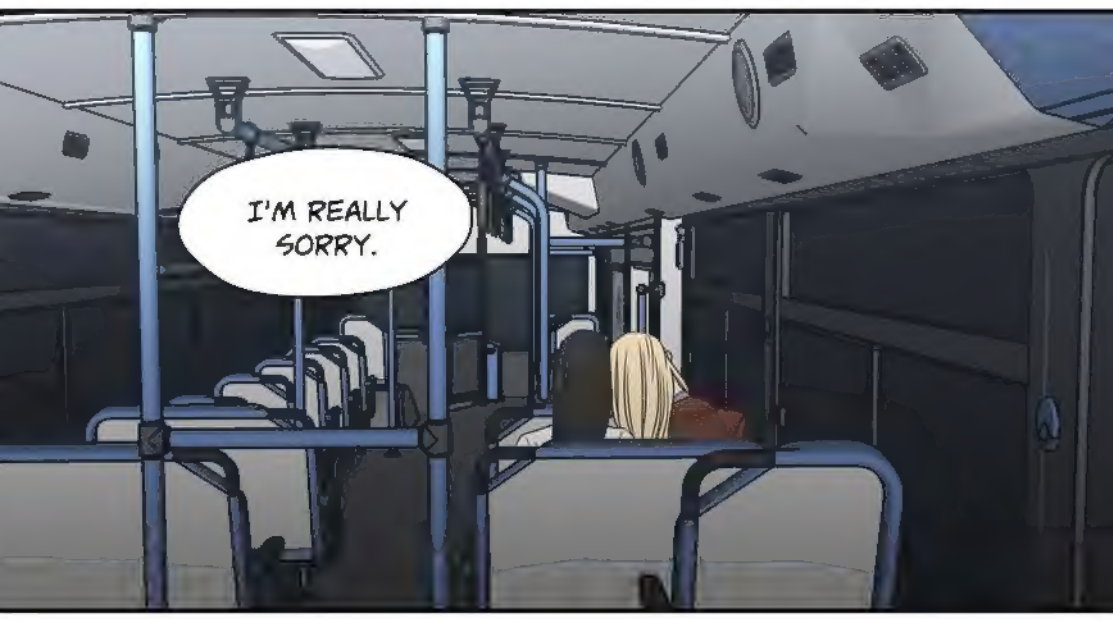
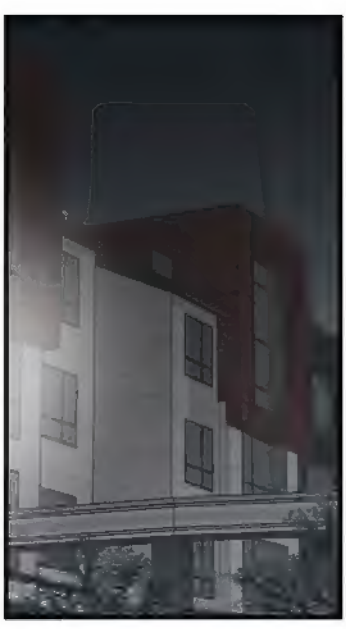

BUT IT'S EVEN MORE PAINFUL TO SEE YOU HAVING A HARD TIME.


I'M REALLY SORRY.



YOU SHOULD HEAD BACK NOW.

IT'S MY FIRST TIME COMING THIS WAY.

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MISS JU.

ONCE YOU HAVE MADE UP YOUR MIND, I'LL FOLLOW WHATEVER DECISION YOU MAKE.

YOU SHOULD JUST THINK ABOUT YOURSELF.

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WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

YOU MUST KNOW WHAT'S BEST FOR YOU.

I DON'T.

YOU'VE BEEN IN PAIN LONG ENOUGH.

ARE YOU SAYING THIS MOMENT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING ANYMORE?

THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO GO THROUGH THESE PAINFUL MOMENTS.

IS THAT ALL?

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THE THINGS YOU WANT TO SAY TO ME.

YOU MIGHT HAVE ALREADY MADE UP YOUR MIND,

AND I KNOW THAT I WON'T BE FORGIVEN EASILY,

BUT IF YOU GIVE ME ONE MORE CHANCE,

FROM NOW ON, I WANT TO...

...THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE SEEN, FELT, AND EXPERIENCED AND STAY BY YOUR SIDE.

WILL I BE ABLE TO LOVE SOMEONE AGAIN?

...I'M SURE YOU WILL.

GOOD NIGHT.

To be continued